

Claim Amendments

Please amend the claims as follows:

Cancel claims 1-9; revise claims 10 and 11 as indicated below, and add claims 12-16.

Kindly revise claim 9, as indicated below, and add claims 10 and 11.

1-9. (Cancelled)

10. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim ~~1~~ 12, wherein said support means includes a vertical post, and a rack and pinion mechanism is defined between said vertical post and said ram, to ~~rotates~~ rotate the apparatus about a vertical axis to position ~~same~~ said apparatus for the Northern or Southern Hemisphere.

11. (Currently amended) The rack and pinion mechanism of claim 10 comprising a pinion gear located at the upper end of said vertical post, and a rack defined at the end of said ram, said rack and pinion mechanism rotating ~~the~~ said apparatus.

12. (New) A solar tracking apparatus movable from a morning position to an evening position,

the apparatus comprising a support means to which a solar device can be supported,

a cylinder, a ram which is extendable from and retractable into the cylinder, an expansion chamber which forms part of or which is in fluid connection with the cylinder and which is positioned at a point below the solar device,

a liquid in the cylinder and the expansion chamber,

the liquid having a boiling point which is greater than the maximum operating temperature of the cylinder and the expansion chamber such that the liquid does not undergo a phase transformation,

a return means to cause the apparatus to be returned to the morning position, and

rotation means associated with the ram, whereby extension of the ram causes the apparatus, including the expansion chamber, to rotate over an angle of up to 270° from the morning position to the evening position.

13. (New) The apparatus of claim 12, which has a west-facing edge, the expansion chamber being located under the west-facing edge.

14. (New) The apparatus of claim 12, comprising a plurality of solar devices supported by the support means.

15. (New) The apparatus of claim 12, comprising a post, the support means being attached to the post and being able to swivel relative to the post.

16. (New) The apparatus of claim 12, wherein expansion of the liquid in the expansion chamber causes the support means to swivel relative to the post.